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as indicated on the attached Filing Receipt. Please CORRECT THE SPELLING OF THE TOWN "KIRCHDORF".

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> Respectfully submitted, Harald LANGEDER ET AL.

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Method and device for cleaning welding torches

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